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E.O.11652: XGDS-2
TAGS: ENRG, EARL, MY
SUBJECT: LICENSING OF COMPANIES DEALING WITH PETRONAS

1. THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE GOM HAS SHIFTED THE AUTHORITY FOR LICENSING ANY COMPANY DEALING IN THE PETROLEUM OR PETROCHEMICAL INDUSTRIES IN MALAYSIA FROM PETRONAS TO THE MINISTRY OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY. WHILE THE GOM HAS MADE NO PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF THIS CHANGE, THEY HAVE PRIVATELY STATED IT WAS MADE BECAUSE PETRONAS IS OPERATED AS A CORPORATION AND IT WAS FELT THAT A DIRECT GOVERNMENT BODY SHOULD BE A LICENSING AGENT.

2. COMMENT: THE GOM IS THOUGHT TO HAVE MADE THIS MOVE BECAUSE OF SEVERAL ALLOCATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS IN PETRONAS ACCEPTING VARIOUS FORMS OF REMUNERATION IN ORDER TO LICENSE AND FAVOR CERTAIN FIRMS. SPECIFIC ALLEGATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE AGAINST MR. M.B. HASHIM IN PARTICULAR CONCERNING HIS CONDUCT AND HIS DEALINGS WITH THE JAPANESE GASLINE COPR. THIS MOVE SHOULD HELP PETRONAS MAINTAIN THE CLEAN IMAGE THAT THEY HAVE FOSTERED SINCE THEIR FOUNDING IN 1974.
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